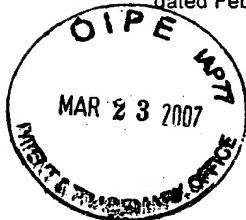


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I. Introduction

Applicants' Amendment and Response is to an United States Patent and Trademark Office Examiner's Action dated February 26, 2007, in the form of a restriction requirement. In the Action, the Examiner set a shortened statutory period for Applicants' reply of 31 days, i.e., by March 29, 2007. Accordingly, Applicants' Amendment and Response is timely as it is being filed on March 20, 2007, with a Certificate of Mailing Under 37 C.F.R. §1.8.